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Title : NETWORK RESOURCE MONITORING AND  
MEASUREMENT SYSTEM AND METHOD

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to examination, please amend the above-captioned application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 32 and 36.

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Amended) A method of measuring and analysing multiple data sources over a communications network in order to ascertain information about [the] use of one or more resources linked to said communications network, said method comprising the steps of:
  - obtaining a data source for a first group of one or more monitored resources, said first group being linked to said communications network;
  - obtaining a further data source for a second group of one or more monitored resources [or a group of monitored users], each of said second group and said first group [of monitored users] linked to said communications [network] network; and
  - combining said data source and said further data source to form a single data source available to interested parties so as to ascertain usage information on one or more resources.